

The Honorable Jamal N. Whitehead

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

JEANNE SUCHODOLSKI,

Plaintiff,

V.

JOHN C. PHELAN¹, Secretary of the Navy,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:24-cv-00686-JNW

**STIPULATED MOTION AND
ORDER FOR EXTENSION OF
TRIAL DATE AND RELATED
DATES**

Consolidated With:

Case No. 3:23-cv-05047-BHS

Noted for Consideration:

May 2, 2025

The parties hereby jointly STIPULATE AND AGREE to extend the following deadlines,

which were set in the Court's September 3, 2024, Order Setting Trial Date and Related Dates

(Dkt. 17), as set forth below:

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Current Date</u> (Case No. 2:24-cv-00686-JNW)	<u>Proposed Date</u> (Consolidated cases)
JURY TRIAL begins	September 15, 2025	February 17, 2026 [or the Court's next available trial date]

¹ Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(d), Defendants substitute Acting Secretary of the Navy Terence Emmert for Secretary of the Navy John C. Phelan.

1	All motions related to discovery must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	March 19, 2025	August 20, 2025
2	Discovery completed by	April 18, 2025	September 19, 2025
3	All dispositive motions and motions challenging expert witness testimony must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	May 19, 2025	October 20, 2025
4	Settlement conference under LCR 39.1(c)(2) must be held no later than	July 17, 2025	December 18, 2025
5	All motions in limine must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	August 6, 2025	January 7, 2026
6	Deposition Designations must be submitted to the Court by (see LCR 32(e))	August 25, 2025	January 26, 2026
7	Agreed pretrial order due	August 25, 2025	January 26, 2026
8	Trial briefs, proposed voir dire questions, and proposed jury instructions must be filed by	September 2, 2025	February 3, 2026
9	Pretrial conference	September 8, 2025	February 9, 2026
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A court may modify a schedule for good cause. Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(4). Continuing pretrial and trial dates is within the discretion of the trial judge. *King v. State of California*, 784 F.2d 910, 912 (9th Cir. 1986). Good cause exists to continue the trial and pretrial deadlines as set out above. As of April 30, 2025, this case has been consolidated with another related action, *Suchodolski v. Emmert*, 3:23-cv-05047-BHS (“*Suchodolski I*”). (Dkt. 26). The parties have been engaged in discovery motions practice in *Suchodolski I* which has necessitated an extension of discovery deadlines in both now-consolidated cases. Extending the above deadlines will allow the parties to complete discovery in the consolidated cases and prepare them for resolution—whether by mutual agreement, dispositive motion, or trial—in an orderly manner.

1 For the reasons set forth above, the parties believe that there is good cause for an
2 extension of the above-listed dates and respectfully request that the Court grant their motion.
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4 DATED this 2nd day of May, 2025.

5 Respectfully submitted,

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ORDER

It is hereby ORDERED that the parties' motion is GRANTED. The new pretrial deadlines are as follows:

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Date</u>
JURY TRIAL begins	February 17, 2026
All motions related to discovery must be filed by (<i>see LCR 7(d)</i>)	August 21, 2025
Discovery completed by	September 19, 2025
All dispositive motions and motions challenging expert witness testimony must be filed by (<i>see LCR 7(d)</i>)	October 21, 2025
Settlement conference under LCR 39.1(c)(2) must be held no later than	December 19, 2025
All motions in limine must be filed by (<i>see LCR 7(d)</i>)	January 8, 2026
Deposition Designations must be submitted to the Court by (<i>see LCR 32(e)</i>)	January 27, 2026
Agreed pretrial order due	January 27, 2026
Trial briefs, proposed voir dire questions, and proposed jury instructions must be filed by	February 4, 2026
Pretrial conference	February 10, 2026

DATED this 7th day of May, 2025.


JAMAL N. WHITEHEAD
United States District Judge